

CHAPTER 8

RETAIL MANAGEMENT AND STORAGE OF SHELF-LIFE MATERIEL

8-1. APPLICABILITY. All policies, except Chapter 3 in this manual and where as noted, apply to materiel managed and stored in both the retail and wholesale supply systems.

8-2. ADDITIONAL POLICIES. The following additional policies apply to retail:

A. Materiel will not be over ordered.

B. Policies to preclude over ordering include:

1. Storing materiel for minimum periods and issuing it promptly. The goal should be to turn stock every **30** days if Mission is not impacted.

2. Limiting stock requisitioning to less than the requisitioning objective and disregarding Economic Order Quantity (EOQ) rules if they will result in over-requisitioning and **excesses**.

3. Conducting stock reviews of shelf-life items on hand at least monthly and ensuring that excesses are reported to the item manager for redistribution if in excess.

4. Conducting accurate inventories to ensure that excesses or expired stock are not inadvertently retained in stock.

5. Notify wholesale managers when units of issues are not appropriate and request consideration of more appropriate units of issue for shelf-life and hazardous items.

8-3. MATERIEL RETURNS. Excess medical and perishable subsistence shelf-life items are not authorized for return to the DoD SAS.